

IV. REMARKS

1. The specification, abstract and title are amended to address the objections raised by the Examiner. Claims 1-10 are amended to correct grammatical and antecedent basis errors, and delete reference numbers. The changes do not further limit or narrow the scope of the claims and are not made for reasons related to patentability.

2. It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4 and 6-10 are patentable over Matero et al. ("Matero") in view of Francisco et al. ("Francisco") under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), because Matero is not prior art for purposes of 35 U.S.C. §103(a), according to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a).


Matero is assigned to Nokia Mobile Phones Limited, which is also the assignee of the instant application. Therefore, according to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) since Matero and the instant application, at the time of this invention, commonly owned or subject to an obligation of assignment, Matero is not prior art for purposes of 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

3. Claim 5 should also be patentable since Matero is not prior art for purposes of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as noted above.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

Respectfully submitted,

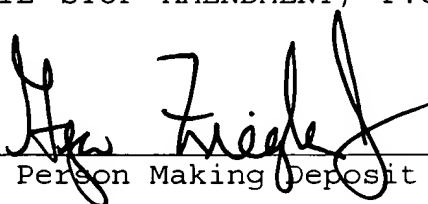

Geza C. Ziegler Jr.
Reg. No. 44,004

4 June 2004
Date

Perman & Green, LLP
425 Post Road
Fairfield, CT 06824
(203) 259-1800 Ext. 134
Customer No.: 2512

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner of Patents, MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: 4 June 2004 Signature: 
Person Making Deposit